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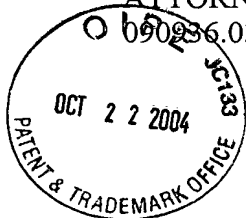
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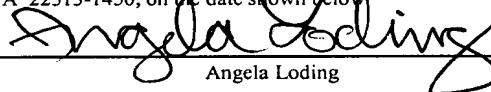


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Scott R. Runnels
Serial No.: 09/695,673
Date Filed: October 24, 2000
Group Art Unit: 2125
Examiner: Paladini, Albert William
Title: LARGE AREA PATTERN EROSION
SIMULATOR

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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 1.312 AND

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 8, 2004

In response to the Office Action mailed October 8, 2004, with the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification. The above-identified application has been carefully reviewed prior to the payment of the Issue Fee. It is requested that the following amendment be entered under the provisions of Rule 312. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.